

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending in this application.

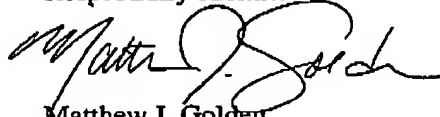
The Examiner has required applicants to elect from among the allegedly patentably distinct species:

1. Figures 1-7;
2. Figures 8-9;
3. Figures 10-11;
4. Figure 16.

In response, applicants provisionally elect the species identified as No. 1 above, namely Figures 1-7. Applicants note that all claims 1-19 read on this species. Applicants make this election solely for the purposes of examination and without prejudice to having the entire scope of the claims examined on the merits in this application.

If the undersigned can be of assistance in advancing the application to allowance, please contact the undersigned at the number set forth below.

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